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May 12, 2008

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange
Gwinn Management Unit – Marquette County
Land Transaction Case #20060311

Applicant: Big Buck Holdings, LLC., Ishpeming, Michigan

Private Land Offered Marquette County, Ely Township, T48N, R28W, Section 16: the NE ¼
In Exchange: of the SW ¼, containing 40 acres more or less.

Appraised Value: \$18,600.00

State Land Desired Marquette County, Ely Township, T48N, R28W, Section 6: the West ½ of
In Exchange: Government Lot 1, containing 17.4 acres more or less.

Appraised Value: \$17,600.00

Authority: Part 21 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department)
May 27, 2008 Calendar and is eligible for approval on June 3, 2008.

Comments: The desired State-owned land and the offered private land are each located about seven miles northwest of Ishpeming. The desired State-owned parcel is landlocked and located outside of a project boundary. The most notable features of the parcel are its 450 feet of marshy frontage on Brocky Lake and an upland ridge in the central portion. The desired State land was reviewed by Department staff, and was approved for disposal as part of the Department's Phase II Land Consolidation Review as approved by the Director on June 1, 2006.

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The offered 40 acres of private land is landlocked but adjacent to State land. It is comprised of lowland with cedar cover. The property is located within the Gwinn Management Unit project boundary, blocks in well with adjoining State-owned land, and will offer further protection to the headwaters of Barnhardt Creek.

This transaction will contribute to the Department's Land Consolidation Strategy, and enhance forest, wildlife, and watershed protection values.

The desired State-owned land was acquired as a gift from Cliff's Forest Products in 1984. As a result of this exchange, the offered private land will assume gift status.

The proposed exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on April 26, 2007. The Mineral and Land Management Section staff of the Department's Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Division has determined that it is appropriate to exchange or dispose of the State-owned mineral rights.

Recommendation: That the exchange be approved, under authority of Part 21, Act 451 of 1994, as amended, with the State reserving aboriginal antiquities.

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I approve the staff recommendation.

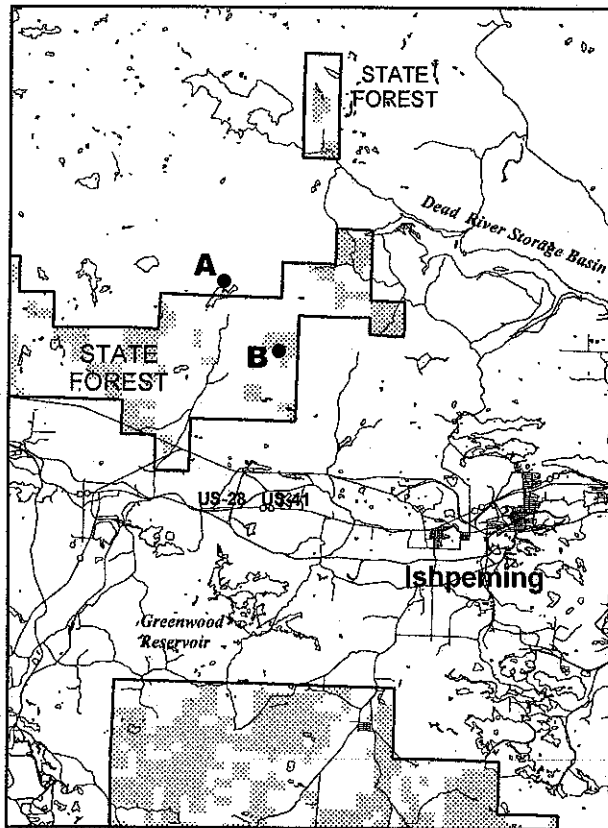
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Director

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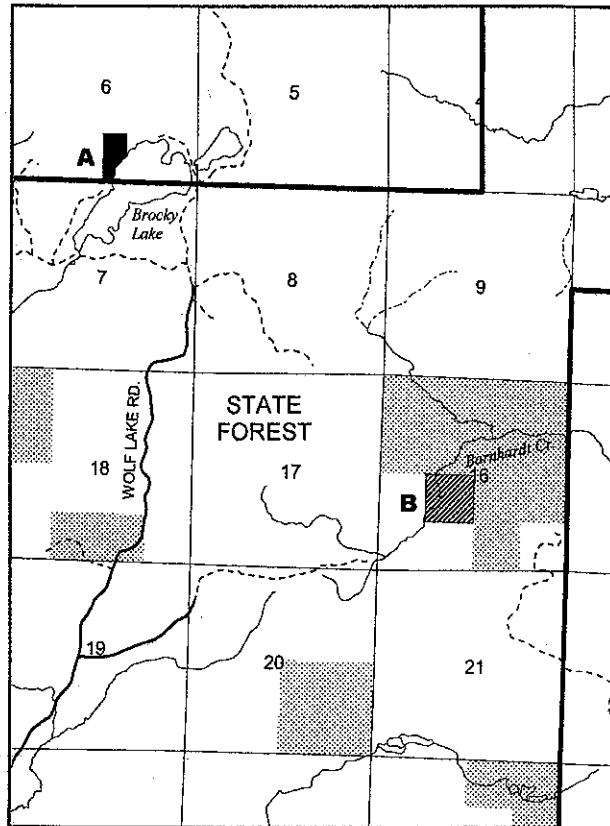
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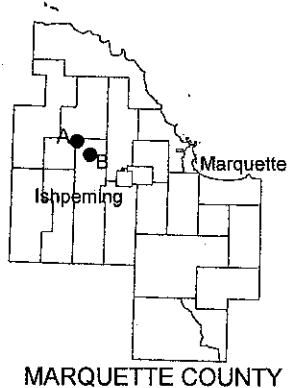


Regional Location



Sections 6 and 16, T48N, R28W, Ely Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Parcel A - State Land Desired from DNR in Exchange (17.40 acres)
- ▨ Parcel B - Private Land Offered to DNR in Exchange (40.00 acres)
- ▤ State Land
- Private Land



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